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## **BOROUGH OF BEVERLEY**

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### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE, 1972**

#### **Chairman:**

**Alderman GODBOLD**

#### **Vice-Chairman:**

**Councillor MORRISON**

**Councillor BIELBY (The Mayor)**

**Alderman DAY**

**Alderman FLYNN**

**Councillor DILKS**

**Councillor GREENSIDES**

**Councillor Mrs. HOLGATE**

**Councillor NELSON**

**Councillor Mrs. POWELL**

**Councillor Mrs. WRIDE**

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### **OFFICIALS**

#### **Clerk of the Council**

**E. BAILEY**

#### **Medical Officer of Health and Divisional Medical Officer**

**J. H. MAUGHAN, M.B., B.S., D.P.H., M.F.C.M.**

#### **Chief Public Health Inspector**

**T. B. HOOD M.A.P.H.I.**

#### **Senior Additional Public Health Inspector**

**P. WADEMAN, M.A.P.H.I.**

#### **Additional Public Health Inspector**

**R. ALLISON, M.A.P.H.I.**

#### **Chief Clerk, Divisional Health Office**

**J. A. H. WADDELL**

#### **Clerk, Borough Health Department**

**Mrs. T. A. McCONNELL**

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Divisional Health Office,  
Manor Road,  
Beverley.  
August 1973.

*To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Beverley*  
Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my Annual Report for the year 1972.

The Registrar General's figures for the year 1972 indicates a mid-year population of 17,050 a decrease of 80 compared with last year.

During the year there were 275 live births and 213 deaths compared with 304 live births and 171 deaths last year. The adjusted birth rate for the Borough of 16.3 compares with the national birth rate of 14.8 per 1,000 population and an adjusted death rate for the Borough of 12.3 compares with a national death rate of 12.1 per 1000 population.

Diseases of the heart and circulatory system and malignant neoplasms continued to be the major causes of death. Ischaemic heart disease remained the greatest single cause, and of the deaths due to cancer, the lung and bronchus were the commonest site of origin.

There were two deaths of infants under one year of age, both due to congenital anomalies.

There was an increase during the year in the infectious diseases notified which was almost entirely due to an increased incidence of measles.

Few changes occurred in the sanitary circumstances during the year. Water continued to be supplied by Hull Corporation and 29 samples of the Towns water supply taken by the Public Health Inspector proved satisfactory. Thirteen samples were taken from 3 private bores and all but one were satisfactory. This one proved satisfactory when repeated.

Routine work continued on housing, as did routine inspection of food premises and inspection of 100% of meat killed in the Borough.

In presenting this report, may I express my thanks to the staff of the Department for their work during the year and to the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their constant interest and support.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

J. H. MAUGHAN,

*Medical Officer of Health.*

## STATISTICS

### General

Area in acres . . . . .	2,404
Population: 1972 Registrar General . . . . .	17,050
Rateable value at 31st March, 1972 . . . . .	£1,768,924
Sum represented by a penny rate . . . . .	£17,250

### Vital

#### Live births:

Total live births . . . . .	275
Crude birth rate per 1,000 population . . . . .	16.1
Comparability factor . . . . .	1.01
Adjusted birth rate per 1,000 population . . . . .	16.3
Illegitimate live births included in above total . .	19

#### Still births:

Total still births . . . . .	—
Illegitimate still births included in above total . .	—

#### Deaths:

Total deaths . . . . .	213
Crude death rate per 1,000 population . . . . .	12.5
Comparability factor . . . . .	0.98
Adjusted death rate per 1,000 population . . . .	12.3
Infant deaths (under 1 year of age) . . . . .	2
Infant mortality rate, i.e. infant deaths per 1,000 live births . . . . .	7



## Birth and Death Rates per 1,000 population including service personnel living in the district

Year	England and Wales	Beverley Borough
<b>LIVE BIRTHS</b>		
1972	14.8*	16.3
1971	16.0	17.8
1970	16.0	16.9
1969	16.3	18.7
1968	16.9	19.5
<b>DEATHS</b>		
1972	12.1*	12.3
1971	11.6	10.2
1970	11.7	11.8
1969	11.9	12.5
1968	11.9	11.1

\*Provisional rate supplied by the Registrar General.

## Age Distribution of Deaths

Age at Death	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
Under 1 year .. ..	2	5	3	2	2
1 — 5 years .. ..	1	1	—	—	—
6 —15 years .. ..	—	2	1	—	2
16—25 years .. ..	3	3	2	1	3
26—45 years .. ..	8	7	7	8	5
46—65 years .. ..	37	43	45	30	40
66 years and over ..	144	154	142	130	161
Totals .. ..	195	215	200	171	213



## Principal Causes of Death

CAUSES OF DEATH	Males	Females	Total
Malignant neoplasm, stomach .. .. .	1	1	2
Malignant neoplasm, intestine .. .. .	2	3	5
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus .. .. .	9	—	9
Malignant neoplasm, breast .. .. .	—	4	4
Malignant neoplasm, uterus .. .. .	—	2	2
Other malignant neoplasms .. .. .	5	6	11
Benign and unspecified neoplasms .. .. .	1	—	1
Diabetes mellitus .. .. .	—	1	1
Other endocrine etc. diseases .. .. .	1	2	3
Anaemias .. .. .	1	1	2
Multiple sclerosis .. .. .	—	1	1
Chronic rheumatic heart disease .. .. .	2	—	2
Ischaemic heart disease .. .. .	42	25	67
Other forms of heart disease .. .. .	4	6	10
Cerebrovascular disease .. .. .	8	22	30
Other diseases of circulatory system .. .. .	3	1	4
Influenza .. .. .	—	1	1
Pneumonia .. .. .	6	14	20
Bronchitis and Emphysema .. .. .	11	2	13
Other diseases of respiratory system .. .. .	2	—	2
Appendicitis .. .. .	—	1	1
Cirrhosis of liver .. .. .	1	—	1
Other diseases of digestive system .. .. .	2	1	3
Nephritis and nephrosis .. .. .	—	2	2
Other diseases, genito-urinary system .. .. .	—	1	1
Congenital anomalies .. .. .	—	2	2
Symptoms and ill defined conditions .. .. .	1	—	1
Motor vehicle accidents .. .. .	4	1	5
All other accidents .. .. .	4	—	4
Suicide and self-inflicted injuries .. .. .	1	2	3
<b>TOTAL ALL CAUSES .. .. .</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>213</b>

**Table showing Causes and Age Distribution of  
Infant Deaths**

Causes of Death	Under 1 week	1 to 2 weeks	2 to 3 weeks	3 to 4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1 to 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 9 months	9 to 12 months	Total under 1 year
Congenital anomalies	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	2
Totals	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	2

**INFANT MORTALITY RATE**  
**Deaths under One Year of Age**  
**Rates per 1,000 Live Births**

Year	England and Wales	Beverley Borough
1972	17.0*	7.0
1971	7.0	18.0
1970	11.0	10.0
1969	18.0	16.0
1968	18.0	6.0

**Still Birth Rates**  
**Rates per 1,000 Total Births**

Year	England and Wales	Beverley Borough
1972	12.0*	0.0
1971	12.0	10.0
1970	13.0	7.0
1969	13.0	6.0
1968	14.0	22.0

\*Provisional figure supplied by the Registrar General.

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES

### Distribution of Infectious Diseases by Age Groups

Disease	Under 1 year	1—2 years	3—4 years	5—9 years	10—14 years	15—24 years	25—44 years	45—64 years	65 years and over	Age unknown	TOTAL
Meningitis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever .. ..	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	5
Whooping Cough .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paralytic .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Non-Paralytic .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Measles .. ..	8	42	35	87	3	1	—	—	—	—	176
Acute Pneumonia .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dysentery .. ..	—	—	1	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	4
Erysipelas .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Food Poisoning .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Enteric or Typhoid .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fever .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paratyphoid Fever .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pulmonary .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tuberculosis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Infective Hepatitis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2
Non-Pulmonary T.B. .. ..	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Totals .. ..	8	42	36	94	4	2	1	1	—	—	188

### The Incidence of Infectious Diseases during the Past Five Years

Disease	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
Meningitis .. ..	—	—	—	2	—
Scarlet Fever .. ..	45	40	13	11	5
Whooping Cough .. ..	—	—	3	1	—
Poliomyelitis and .. ..	—	—	—	—	—
Polio-Encephalitis .. ..	—	—	—	—	—
Measles .. ..	130	—	339	11	176
Acute Pneumonia .. ..	—	—	—	—	—
Dysentery .. ..	2	—	1	—	4
Erysipelas .. ..	—	—	—	—	—
Food Poisoning .. ..	1	2	2	3	—
Puerperal Pyrexia .. ..	—	—	—	—	—
Enteric or Typhoid Fever .. ..	—	—	—	—	—
Paratyphoid Fever .. ..	—	—	—	—	—
Pulmonary Tuberculosis .. ..	4	—	2	1	—
Infective Hepatitis .. ..	—	1	6	—	2
Non-pulmonary T.B. .. ..	—	—	—	2	1
Totals .. ..	182	43	366	31	188

## **GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA**

### **Hospital Services**

Hospitals in the Borough are under the East Riding Hospital Management Committee and are as follows:—

#### **Westwood Hospital**

This hospital has 235 beds and provides facilities for general medical, surgical, orthopaedic, paediatric and maternity cases.

#### **Beverley Cottage Hospital**

This hospital has 20 beds for gynaecological cases.

### **Miniature Mass Radiography**

The Miniature Mass Radiography Unit of the Leeds Regional Hospital Board visited the Borough once a fortnight and held public and private sessions.

## **NURSING HOMES**

There are no Nursing Homes registered under the Public Health Act 1936 within the Borough.

## **NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948**

### **Part III Accommodation**

Accommodation is provided by the County Council at Minster Towers and Langholme. These homes together have beds for 66 elderly persons.

### **Section 47**

One patient was moved to hospital under the National Assistance (Amendment) Act, 1951.

## **LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITY SERVICES**

The following services are provided in the Borough by the East Riding County Council as the Local Health Authority.

### **Infant Welfare Clinics**

Infant Welfare Clinics are held at the Lord Roberts Road Clinic and Coltman Avenue Clinic. At Lord Roberts Road, General Practitioners held closed sessions on Tuesday afternoons and open sessions were held on Thursday afternoons, while at the Infant Welfare Clinic, Coltman Avenue, General Practitioners held closed sessions on Thursday afternoons, and open sessions were held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons.



The number of children who attended the Clinics and the number of attendances made by them during the year were as shown below :

<i>Number of children who attended during the year and child's year of birth:</i>	<i>Beverley School Clinic</i>	<i>Coltman Avenue Clinic</i>
1967—70	74	215
1971	80	174
1972	129	204
Total attendances	2,950	3,720
Average attendance per session	28	25

### **Domicilliary Midwifery Service**

During the year 5 Nurse/Midwives working in the Borough attended 12 domiciliary births.

### **Health Visiting**

Six Health Visitors work within the Borough having offices at the Divisional Health Office, Manor Road; Coltman Avenue Clinic; and 2 General Practitioners Surgeries.

### **Home Nursing Service**

This service is run in conjunction with the Domiciliary Midwifery Service and 7 Nurses (5 of whom are also Midwives) work in the Borough.

### **Ambulance Service**

The County Council's Ambulance Station is situated in Grovehill Road (Telephone number 881198).

### **Domestic Help**

Home Help service rendered in the Borough is administered at County Hall, Beverley, and all applications for the service are dealt with by the Home Help Organiser (telephone number 881281).

### **Chiropody Service**

Clinics held in Beverley during 1972.

1 session per week Lord Roberts Road (school children)

3 sessions per week Lord Roberts Road (Senior Citizens)

3 sessions per week Coltman Avenue (Senior Citizens)

Also domiciliary visits to Senior Citizens in Beverley.



## **LOCAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE**

Routine medical inspections are carried out of all children attending Local Education Authorities' schools in the Borough. In addition the following facilities are provided by the County Council.

### **Lord Roberts Road Clinic:**

Dental Clinic	Monday—Friday 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and Tuesday afternoon 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Speech Therapy	Monday and Tuesday 9—12 and 1.30—4 p.m. by appointment.
Chiropody	Monday 9 a.m.—12 noon, by appointment.

### **Coltman Avenue Clinic:**

Minor Ailment	Daily 9 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.
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## **OTHER SERVICES**

### **Public Health Laboratory Service**

Specimens for bacteriological examination are sent to the Public Health Laboratory at the Hull Royal Infirmary, Hull.

### **Family Planning Clinics**

The County Council held clinics on Friday mornings 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. and the first, second and fourth Wednesday evenings 7 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. at the Lord Roberts Road, Clinic premises, and at Coltman Avenue Clinic on Tuesday mornings 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.

### **Cervical Cytology**

East Riding County Council holds cervical cytology sessions in Beverley according to demand.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR 1972

T. B. HOOD, M.A.P.H.I.

TABLE 1

<i>Total No. of Inspections</i>		<i>Nature of Inspections</i>	
Public Health Act, 1936	.. 2,257	Dwelling-houses: First Visits	.. 1,172
		Revisits	.. 508
		Disinfestation of Premises and Beddings:	
		First Visits	.. .. 37
		Revisits	.. .. 17
		Drainage Works:	
		First Visits	.. .. 219
		Revisits	.. .. 111
		Common Lodging-houses	.. .. 9
		Offensive Trades	.. .. 35
		Smoke and Dust Nuisances	.. .. 81
		Infectious Disease	.. .. 45
		Noise Nuisance	.. .. 23
			<hr/> 2,257
Housing Acts 1957-1969	.. 254	Clearance/Closing of Houses	.. 235
		Overcrowding	.. .. 3
		Houses in Multiple Occupation	.. 16
			<hr/> 254
Water Supplies	.. .. 53	Visits	.. .. 53
Clean Air Act, 1956	.. .. 15	Investigations	.. .. 15
Food and Drugs Act, 1955	.. 1,457	Slaughterhouses (Meat Inspection)	.. .. 566
		Food Preparing Premises	.. .. 330
		Ice-cream Premises	.. .. 20
		Unfit 'Other Food'	.. .. 15
		Bakehouses	.. .. 27
		Food Vehicles	.. .. 42
		Retail Premises	.. .. 398
		Food Stalls	.. .. 59
			<hr/> 1,457
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	.. .. 617	Rodent Treatment	.. .. 617
Petroleum (Consolidation) Act 1928	.. .. 30	Storage of Petroleum	.. .. 30
Slaughterhouse Act, 1958	.. 8	Slaughterhouses	.. .. 8
Factory Act, 1961	.. .. 14	Factories	.. .. 14
Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act, 1963	.. .. 131	Offices and Shops	.. .. 131
TOTAL	.. 4,836		<hr/>

## TABLE II

### NOTICES SERVED

#### Under Public Health and Housing Acts

Number of Preliminary Notices served .. .. .	50
Number of Preliminary Notices complied with .. .. .	44
Number of Statutory Notices served .. .. .	13
Number of Statutory Notices complied with	
(a) By Owners .. .. .	5
(b) By Corporation in default .. .. .	8

## HOUSING

### Statistics

Number of dwellings in the Borough at 31st December, 1972

Local Authority .. .. .	1,779
Private .. .. .	4,311

Dwellings erected during the year

Local Authority .. .. .	14
Private .. .. .	56

Dwellings in course of erection at end of year

Local Authority .. .. .	28
Private .. .. .	4

### Action during the year relating to unfit houses

The occupants of 5 unfit houses were re-housed during the year, and 5 Closing Orders were made.

### Houses in Multiple Occupation

At the end of the year there were 48 houses in multiple occupation in the town.

# TABLE III

## Summary of all Meat Inspected and Condemned 1972

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep & Lambs	Pigs
Number killed .. .. .	699	8	2,812	1,035
Number inspected .. .. .	699	8	2,812	1,035
<b>All Diseases Except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</b>				
Whole carcasses condemned .. ..	3	—	5	8
Carcasses of which some part was condemned .. .. .	15	—	7	83
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticercus ..	2.57	—	.43	8.79
<b>Tuberculosis only</b>				
Whole carcasses condemned .. ..	—	—	—	—
Number of animals affected with localised tuberculosis .. ..	—	—	—	2
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis ..	—	—	—	.19
<b>Cysticercus</b>				
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned .. .. .	—	—	—	—
Carcase submitted to treatment by refrigeration .. .. .	—	—	—	—
Generalised and totally condemned ..	—	—	—	—
<b>Offal Condemned</b>				
Heads and Tongues .. .. .	—	—	—	2
Livers .. .. .	65	—	30	30
Lungs .. .. .	17	—	8	47
Hearts .. .. .	1	—	8	31
Kidneys .. .. .	7	1	—	8
Udders .. .. .	—	—	—	1
Spleens .. .. .	2	—	—	—

## Charges for Meat Inspection

The Council continued to charge for the inspection of meat intended for food where inspection had to be carried out outside normal working hours. The maximum charges allowed by the Regulations were imposed and receipts over the year amounted to £30.18p.

# TABLE IV

## FOOD

### Other Food Inspected and Condemned

	<i>lbs.</i>
Meat and Meat Products ..	231
Fruit and Vegetables ..	125
Other Items ..	47
Ice-cream ..	167
Frozen Food ..	1,483
<i>Total</i> ..	<u>2,053</u>

### Ice-cream

21 ice-cream samples were submitted for bacteriological examination, all of which were satisfactory.

## WATER SUPPLY

75 samples of water were taken for bacteriological examination during the year, details of which are as under:—

	<i>Samples Taken</i>	<i>Satis- factory</i>	<i>Unsatis- factory</i>
Boreholes	13	12	1
Swimming Baths	33	33	—
Towns Water	29	29	—

## RODENT CONTROL

Routine work under this Act was carried out systematically during the year by the Rodent Operator. Treatments were given to 44 business premises, 19 local authority premises and 57 dwelling-houses in the town, and at all these premises an estimated number of 196 rats were killed.

The number of visits made to the various premises for carrying out these treatments was 617 but in addition to this, further time was spent in survey work in the town generally.



## OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT 1963

Routine work continued under this Act during the year at the end of which we had 261 registered premises in the town employing a total work force of 1248 persons. No accidents were reported on premises covered by the Act during the year.

## PETROLEUM ACTS AND ORDERS

At the end of the year 35 premises were licenced to store petroleum spirit and 1 to store carbide of calcium.









